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PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1996-1997

International Seabed Authority

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman
following informal consultations

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 48/263 of 28 July 1994, in which it decided to fund the administrative expenses of the International Seabed Authority until the end of the year following the year during which the Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 entered into force,

Also recalling its resolution 50/214 of 23 December 1995, in which it made provision for the budget for 1996 of the International Seabed Authority,

Having considered the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the budget of the International Seabed Authority for 1997,[1]

1. Approves the recommendation thereon of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in its report;[2]

2. Requests the International Seabed Authority to take all necessary action to ensure that its budget for 1997 is implemented with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

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[1] A/C.5/51/21.

[2] A/51/7/Add.2.

3. Authorizes the Secretary-General to provide conference services for the meetings of the International Seabed Authority to be held from 17 to 28 March and from 18 to 29 August 1997 from the resources available under section 26E, Conference Services, of the programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997;[1]

4. Decides to make a provision of $2,750,500 for the International Seabed Authority for its administrative expenses in 1997 under section 33, International Seabed Authority, of the programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997;

5. Decides also that the provision for 1997 should be charged to the contingency fund.

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[1] Official Records of the General Assembly, Fiftieth Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/50/6/Rev.1).